

Please note that this risk assessment applies to the activity at the date of writing and under the prevailing weather conditions at this time. Please discuss any possible changes to this assessment with Leeson staff before undertaking this activity.

<b>Activity: Swanage Flood Alleviation Scheme Study</b>			
<b>Risk Assessment Completed By: Michael Gould and Louise Harding</b>			<b>Date: January 2019 Review: January 2020</b>
1	<b>Traffic</b>	Road crossings and walking alongside roads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff to brief pupils beforehand and supervise accordingly. If required, staff to wear reflective waistcoats</li> </ul>
2	<b>River</b>	River banks and sharp objects in river bed  Health risks of water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff to brief pupils on approach to river banks</li> <li>Staff to ensure appropriate footwear is worn when in river</li> <li>Staff to brief pupils to check for open cuts and if required to cover with plasters / wash hands afterwards</li> </ul>
3	<b>Engineering works</b>	Slippery metal gratings, steps, walls, railings <b>January 2019 – construction completed and no direct access to river due to fencing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff to brief pupils to take extra care when working on or near the flood control engineering works</li> <li>Pupils to wear appropriate footwear</li> </ul>
4	<b>Weather</b>	Exposure Heat Exhaustion / sunburn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff to ensure pupils are adequately equipped for weather conditions</li> </ul>
5	<b>Sea</b>	Seafront and Pier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff to be aware of state of sea / waves and appropriate distance to work to the sea</li> <li>Do not allow pupils to climb on the railings at the end of the pier</li> <li>Siphonophore – In the summer of 2018 a number of Portugese Man O'War were washed up onto the beaches. These sting even when washed up. Do not allow students near.</li> </ul>
6	<b>Lost pupils</b>	Swanage seafront can be very busy in the summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff to keep group together and regular counts</li> <li>Brief pupils as to meeting place and time</li> </ul>
7	<b>Equipment</b>	River measuring equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tapes, ranging poles, surveying levels etc – brief pupils as to safe ways to carry and use the kit</li> </ul>
<b>Emergency</b>		Swanage Police Station number is 01929 422004. Lost Children Point next to the Tourist Information Centre - open in summer only. Doctors surgery is next to the railway station.  Police/Ambulance/Coastguard – 999 or 112	Leeson House – 01929 422126